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empty	MT	
envelope	env	
evidence	ev, evid, evd, e	
extract	ext	
Fairfax County	FFX	
fingerprints	LX	
fragment(s)	frag	
glass	gl	
glassine	glas, gla	
green	gr, grn	
hand made	hdm	
hand rolled	hr	
heat	Δ , H	
imprinted	imp	
individual	ind	
insert (for weak samples in ASV)	INS	
<u>Instrumental Data for Drug Analysis</u> by Mills <i>et al.</i>	IDDA	
juvenile	juv	
knotted	k, kn	
large	lge, lg	
leafy material	lm	
light	lt	
listed to contain	ltc	
manila	man	
material	mat, mat'l	
metal	met	
microscopic examination	micro	
multi-colored	mc, multi	
mushrooms	mush	
negative Result for a test	-, circled -, neg	
nitroprusside color test	np	
no change	nc	
no color reaction	ncr	
no reaction	nr	
no significant reaction	nsr	
not analyzed	na, not anal., nap, nt, DIRP	
not opened	n/o, no	
off-white	off-wh, ow	
package	pkg	
packet	pkt	
paper	pap	
pentane	pent	
physical identification code for brand name product	PIB, PIBr	

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physical identification code for generic product	PIG	
physically identified with references	PID	
Physicians Desk Reference	PDR	
placed in zip(s) in lab	PIZIL	
plant material (only)	pm	
plastic	p, plas, pls, plst	
powder	pwd, pW, pwdr	
precipitate	ppt	
prescription	Rx	
Prince William County	Pr W	
probable	prob	
purple	prpl, pur, pl, ppl	
quantity insufficient	qns	
reaction	rxn	
remaining	rem	
repackage(d)	repkged	
residue	res	
returned	ret	
rolling papers	roll pap	
sample	sam	
schedule	Sch, sched	
schedule I	CI	
schedule II	CII	
schedule III	CIII	
schedule IV	CIV	
Schedule V	CV	
schedule VI	CVI	
sealed	"circled" word or anagram, s (in front of another code)	
smoking device	sd, smok dev, s-d	
solid	sol	
solid material	sm	
solvent	solv	
strong	str	
substance	subst	
syringe	syr	
tablet(s)	tab(s)	
twist-tied	tt	
very	v	
Violet	vio	
volume	vol	
weak	wk	
which contained(s)	w/c	
white	wh, wht	
wrapper	wrap	

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yellow	y, yell, yl
ziplock	zip, z

Drug Name**Abbreviation**

3,4-Methylenedioxyamphetamine	MDA
3,4-Methylenedioxymethamphetamine	MDM, MDMA
6-Monoacetylmorphine	MAM, 6-MAM
Acetaminophen	AC, APAP
Alprazolam	AL
Amphetamine	A
Aspirin	ASP
Benzocaine	BNZ, BENZO
Bufotenine	BUF
Buprenorphine	BUP
Caffeine	CAF
Cannabidiol	CBD
Cannabinol	CBN
Clonazepam	CZM
Cocaine	CO, COC
Cocaine base	CB, CFB
Cocaine Hydrochloride	COH
Codeine	COD
Diazepam	D
Dimethyltryptamine	DMT
Ephedrine	EP
Fentanyl	F
Gabapentin	GAB
Gamma-butyrolactone	GBL
Gamma-hydroxybutyric acid	GHB
Heroin	HER
Hydrocodone (Dihydrocodeinone)	HC, DI
Hydromophone	HM
Ibuprofen	IB
Insufficient for analysis	IFA
Insufficient for identification	IFI
Ketamine	KET
Lidocaine	LIDO
Lorazepam	LO
Lysergic acid diethylamide	LSD
Marijuana	MJ
Methadone	MN, MDN
Methamphetamine	M, METH
Methylphenidate	MPH

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Miscellaneous	MIS	
Morphine	MO	
Nicotine	NIC	
No controlled substance identified	NCI	
No controlled substances found	NCS, NCSF	
Oxycodone	OC, OXY	
Oxymorphone	OX	
Pethidine (Meperidine)	PE	
Phencyclidine, liquid	PCL	
Phencyclidine	PCP	
Phenylpropanolamine	PPA	
Previously analyzed	PRE	
Procaine	PR, PRO	
Pseudoephedrine	PSE, PSU	
Psilocybin	PSB	
Psilocyn	PS	
Quinine	QUI	
Δ-9 Tetrahydrocannabinol	THC	
Tramadol	TRA	
		◆End